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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of : Karlheinz MAYR and Thilo SCHMIDT  
Serial no. :  
For : PROPORTIONAL PRESSURE CONTROL  
VALVE FOR CONTROLLING THE PRESSURE  
LEVEL IN A HYDRAULIC CIRCUIT  
Docket : ZAHFRI P553US

MAIL STOP PATENT APPLICATION  
The Commissioner for Patents  
P. O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Dear Sir:

By way of preliminary amendment, please amend the above identified application as set forth below.

**In the Drawings:**

Please amend Fig. 2 of the drawings presently on file per the attached Submission. Also please enter the enclosed new formal drawing (Fig. 2A), accompanying this Submission, which incorporate all of the requested drawing amendments.

**In the Specification:**

Please amend paragraphs 002, 003, 004, 005, 015, 016, 021, 022, 025, 029 and 033 of the specification as follows in which the specification additions are shown by underlining and the specification deletions are shown by strikeout. Please enter the replacement specification paragraphs into the record of this case.

**In the Claims:**

Please cancel claims 1-7, without prejudice or disclaimer of the subject matter therein, in favor of new claims 8-14 as follows.